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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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<i>Application Number</i>	09/239,871
<i>Filing Date</i>	January 29, 1999
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<i>Art Unit</i>	2631
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<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	199.36691X00

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission** required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i Amendment/Reply
 - ii Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other Petition for Revival of an Application For Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b)

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when RCE is filed.

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 - i RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e)
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 - iii Other _____
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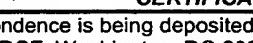
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